

A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, on the morning of December 7, 1941, the United States suffered a surprise military attack at Pearl Harbor, the location of a critical American Naval Base where thousands of military service members and personnel were stationed; and

WHEREAS, the attack on Pearl Harbor resulted in the deaths of 2,403 brave American warriors, including 68 civilians, with more than 1,100 others being wounded during the attack; and

WHEREAS, the attack on Pearl Harbor inflicted significant damage to our nation's military forces, and led directly to the involvement of the United States in World War II, which ultimately claimed the lives of more than 400,000 courageous American service members; and

WHEREAS, on the day following the Pearl Harbor attack, President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared to Congress and to the American people that December 7, 1941 is a "date which will live in infamy," and requested a formal declaration of war from Congress; and

WHEREAS, the USS Nevada was stationed at Pearl Harbor when it was attacked, and was struck directly by no less than 6 bombs and a torpedo, killing 60 crewmembers and wounding more than 100 others; and

WHEREAS, the USS Nevada was the only U.S. Battleship to get underway during the Pearl Harbor attack, and was later used at the D-Day Invasion of Normandy and in Southern France, and at the battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa; and

WHEREAS, the State of Nevada solemnly reflects upon the fateful events that took place at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, takes tremendous pride in its namesake Battleship, and has, over the years since the attack, been home to many Pearl Harbor survivors, as well as family members and loved ones of those who selflessly gave their lives in defense of freedom on that tragic day; and

WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of each American patriot whose life was lost at Pearl Harbor will never be forgotten, but will continue to inspire immeasurable gratitude and appreciation for generations to come;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim December 7, 2015 as

PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY IN NEVADA



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 30 day of November 306.

By the Governor:

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By Collinson Deputy